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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY AUGUST 1, 2006
WAIANAE COMMUNITY CENTER

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Patty Teruya called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS' PRESENT: Karen Awana, Alvin Awo, Black Hoohuli, Jo Jordan, Kimo Kelii, Suzanne Leonida, James Manaku, Kaipo Pomaikai, Cynthia Rezentes, Adrian Silva Jr., Albert H. Silva, Patty Teruya, Frank Slocum, Neddie Waiamau-Nunuha.

MEMBERS' ABSENT: Glen Kila

GUESTS: Bud Ebel, Kaiawe Makanani, Kini Kawelo-Polani, Alice U. Greenwood, Cdr. M.A. Sevilla (NMCDPH), Clara Batongbacal, Joan White (HCAP), Terrence Aratani (HCAP), Jose Villa (HCAP), Joy Barua (HCAP), Lou Chan (HCAP), Ryan Yamamoto (HCAP), Gerald Park (HCAP), Lei Furukawa (University of Phoenix), Rita K. Martin (Affordable Housing Alliance- Next Step), Maj. Mike Tamashiro (HPD), Maj. Ad Godinez (U.S. Army), Lt. Fabian Loo (HPD), William Steinke (HFD), Russell Youth (HFD), Mike O'Neill, George Kuo (BWS), Bruce Tsuchida (Townscape), Sybol Uelese (WCO), Laura Pitolo (WCO), Pat Lee (HHCTCP), Councilman Todd Apo (City Council), Faith Arakawa (Waianae Library), Mieke Shintani, Pat Patterson, Shuji Shintani, Clayton Brown (BWS), Scoot Ishikawa (State Department of Transportation), Johnnie Mae Perry, Jackie Ky, Ron Sullivan, Jacqueline Taylor-Lee, Samuel M. Kekumu, Randy Obata (Rep. Case' Office), Rep. Maile Shimabukuro, Ken Shimizu (Mayor's Rep), Marie Laderta (Governor's Rep), Kaulana Park (Governor's Homeless Solution team leader), Vanessa Matautia (Neighborhood Board Commission staff).

WELCOME/PULE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/HAWAII PONO'I: Chair Teruya welcomed everyone to the meeting. Adrian Silva led the pledge of allegiance with Waiamau-Nunuha leading everyone in Hawaii Pono'i.

REPORTS PART ONE

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Firefighter Russell Youth gave the following report:

1. For the month of June, the Waianae Fire Station reported to 5 structure, 31 brush, 7 rubbish and 6 vehicle fires, 53 medical and 18 medical emergencies, and no search and rescue.
2. There were two major incidents that occurred with the a) first incident being a brush fire happening July 12-13 involving 19 companies and encompassing 23 hours (2224-2104). b) The second incident was the bridge fire on Farrington and Kili Street on July 27.
3. Fire Safety Tip: Take the time to childproof your home, especially since keiki are on summer vacation. Check for potentially dangerous situations, i.e., electrical shock, accidental falls, or poisoning from medications, cleaning fluids, and houseplants. Keep matches and lighters in a safe place and out of the reach of small children.

Questions, comments and concerns:

Albert H. Silva commented that during the time when the train traveled around Kaena Point, the area came to be known as "Yokahama Switch", in reference to the switchman Yokahama. After many years, the reference name was shortened to "Yokohama" but to many of the old Waianae residents, the area still goes by its Hawaiian name of Ke'awaula.

Emergency Services Department (EMS) - No representative was available for comment.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lt. Fabian Loo gave the following report:



1. Statistics for July were 5 robberies, 34 burglaries, 70 thefts, 19 auto thefts, 62 thefts from vehicles, 92 person thefts, 1 ID theft, 71 motor vehicle collisions, 4 DUIs, 36 CPDs, 2 drug calls with a total of 3629 calls.
2. Crime tip of the month included tips from the Department of Homeland Security on reporting suspicious behavior and activity. These tips included surveillance, being aware of suspicious persons or questioning, attempts to test security of key facilities, deploying assets or stockpiling of suspicious materials and acquiring supplies or dry runs. Call 911 for emergencies or call the Joint Terrorism task force at (808) 566-4300.

Questions, comments, concerns:

3. Slocum asked for a definitive answer to the standard for a citizen's arrest in Hawaii. Lt. Loo stated that in cases where law enforcement is on their way, private citizens may detain a suspect. He also stated that the HPD suggests against citizen's arrest since many suspects may be dangerous and will more than likely cause physical harm.
4. Kelii reported that he has documented a list of trucks with descriptions and license plate numbers that have modified their vehicles to create louder sounds by engine/stereo equipment and he asked what the correct protocol to turn in the list was. Lt. Loo stated that this should be reported to HPD because a noise complaint can be made as well as illegal modifications of the vehicle.
5. Alice Greenwood asked if there was a total count of tickets given out to homeless and Lt. Loo reported that this record would be accumulated at the Kapolei Police Station. Maj. Tamashiro also reported that approximately 1,000 tickets have been given out to the homeless for illegal camping over the last year and in the last three months, the number has declined considerably.

Board of Water Supply – Clayton Brown reported the following: There were two main breaks in the month of July. On July 7 at 86-136 Kakaiapola Street, a 6" fire hydrant later with no cause reported and there are no immediate plans to replace the main. On July 27 at 84-450 Farrington Highway an 8" main this may have been caused by the pressure surge in the main from the use by HFD fighting the bridge fire. It was replaced as part of the Farrington Highway Water Main Improvements.

Waianae Watershed Draft plan – Bruce Tsuchida, from Townscape, reported on the plan that will provide for the entire Waianae Coast, from the mountains to ocean. The Board of Water Supply is mandated by State law and began the plans by region with Waianae Coast as the first segment. The goal of the plan is to become City ordinance and receive funding for the programs needed in order to provide a viable water plan for the Waianae Coast's present and future water usage.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Pomaikai asked if there were options to use runoff water as a source of water. Tsuchida reported that this was done on Kauai and there were several options for that in the plan for the Waianae Coast.
2. Manaku asked if the watershed would include forest land, which is under the direction of the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Tsuchida believed that the BWS can only advise DLNR and may partner with them in order to provide better access to this area for residents.
3. Kelii commented a) regarding that since agriculture has declined in the Ewa area would it correlate to a decline in water demand. Tsuchida reported that increases in housing developments in Ewa will keep numbers at the same level if not higher. b) Kelii also questioned if it was still the case that golf courses on the leeward side would still need to find their own source of potable water. Tsuchida affirmed that this was still the case and the use of desalinated water plant was use at Ko Olina Resort. c) Kelii's last question was whether the plan was agriculturally friendly and Tsuchida pointed out several programs that would assist the agricultural community.
4. A resident asked whether water from Waianae was leaving the coast for other parts of the island. Tsuchida answered that there was no water that left the coast.

5. Resident questioned that due to more housing developments coming up in the Kapolei/Kalaheo area, would there be less water available for the Waianae Coast. Tsuchida affirmed the residents' comment and reported that the Board has plans in the future for desalination plants to be used as a water source.

Motion to support the Waianae Watershed Draft plan by Rezentes and seconded by Awana was passed with unanimous consent of the Board.

The order of the agenda was deferred to allow for the State Department of Transportation (DOT) to give the following report regarding the Makaha Bridge.

Makaha Bridge Fire Update – Scott Ishikawa from the DOT reported that the Makaha Bridge was reopened at 7:00 p.m. today and will be contra flowed for the next several weeks until repairs could be done to repair the walkway on the mauka side. Ishikawa thanked the Board and the community for their patience.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

Monthly Reports, Part 1, continued:

U.S. Army 25th ID (Light) – Major Ad Godinez gave the following report:

1. There is an ongoing deployment of 7,000 soldiers from Schofield Barracks and Fort Shafter to Iraq over the summer months and will continue until September.
2. The Army Stryker Brigade will remain on the island and will not be deployed out to the Middle East. There are currently 20 vehicles on island and training will be contained at Schofield Barracks. Next year there will be 320 vehicles on island and most of them will be contained to government property.
3. The question from Board member Kelii regarding the donation of tents from the Army is being worked on at the moment. The Army is looking to consider the project and working out several legal issues.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Waiamau-Nunuha thanked the U.S. Army for bringing her grandson back home from deployment safe and sound.
2. Slocum asked Maj. Godinez if he had information regarding the dumping of ammunitions off of the Waianae Coast. Maj. Godinez reported that he had not seen any information of that nature and asked that Slocum provide him with information in order to update himself.
3. Manaku asked if there was resolution regarding roads at Schofield Barracks. Maj. Godinez reported that it is outside the jurisdiction and will report back next month.

U.S. Navy NavMag Pearl Harbor Commander- Cmdr. Sevilla gave the following report:

1. The Navy has changed the name of Pearl Harbor. It will be now known as Navy Munitions Detachment Pearl Harbor. This change will allow for a more focused job for the three installations. Capt. Stauch is the new commander of Pearl Harbor which is apart of the U.S. Navy's East Asia Division.
2. Normal status at the three installments of detachment Pearl Harbor.
3. There was a request from last month regarding rent paid by Bedminster LLC for land leased out by the Navy Regions HI and Cmdr. Sevilla reported that rent was being collected but the specific amount was not known.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Kelii commented that the change to "munitions" seemed to be a target for terrorists as it would display the stock up of ammunitions.
2. Alice Greenwood questioned the status of Lualualei Road and Cmdr. Sevilla reported that it was in the process of being turned over to the City.

Defer Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for December 6, 2005 and February 7, 2006.
Defer Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for June 6, 2006

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Chair's Appointment for Committee Chairs – Chair Teruya opened to the Board for calls of appointment.

1. **Transportation/OMPO, Public Health & Safety – Karen Awana**
2. **Planning & Zoning – Patty Teruya**
3. **Education – Kimo Kelii**
4. **Housing – James Manaku**
5. **Parks and Recreation/Parks Beautification – Jo Jordan**

Committee Reports

Transportation/OMPO-Ms. Awana

1. Several members of the transportation committee will be meeting with Department of Transportation Services regarding routing issues with at Makaha Marketplace tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.
2. Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization's next general meeting will be held on Friday August 16th at 4:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room at Honolulu Hale.
3. Honolulu High-Capacity Transit corridor Project/Board to consider position on alternatives update

Pat Lee updated the Board on project findings and provided a power point presentation that overviewed the four alternatives (no-build, an enhanced bus system, managed lanes, and fixed guideways), possible routes with stations, park and rides, the areas that would be affected by the transit plans and a timeline in which is being followed. In December, the City Council will vote on what is the locally preferred plan. The increase for the general excise tax to fund the mass transit system begins in January 2007.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Pomaikai asked out of the alternatives, what was the alternative in which Lee preferred and Lee stated that he preferred option four (fixed guideways).
2. Jordan questioned if the fourth option were killed, would this also kill the GET surcharge. Lee reported that if the option picked is to not the Fixed Guideways then the GET surcharge will not be used for any other alternative due to the Federal mandate that matching funds must exist before federal funding is made available.
3. Adrian asked about the rail transit and why was it not mentioned in the list of alternatives. Lee reported that the fourth option – the Fixed Guideway, would basically be the rail transit. It was called the fixed Guideway because specific technology whether it be rail, monorail, or maglev was not finalized.
4. Manaku asked if there would be security for the fixed guideways due to the possibility of youths being disruptive to riders. Councilmember Todd Apo answered the question and commented that at this point there would be monitor's who would maintain security as well as patrol officers who would be stationed on the platforms.

5. Awo asked what course would the rail move through Kapolei and also asked how commuters would get to the station. Lee reviewed the course with alternate routes shown in the power point presentation with more buses traveling into the neighborhoods and providing transportation to the stations where park and rides would be available.
6. Kelii asked Chair Teruya if the Board could take a position at its next meeting in order to send a letter out to the City Council before their final vote. Council member Todd Apo asked that the Board wait until November due to the City Council's upcoming vote at the end of November. Council member Apo mentioned that he would report back to the Board in October with all the information that could be provided on the transit plans in order to prepare the Board for their vote.
7. Pomaikai commented that the gas prices are rising and this project must go through in order to alleviate the traffic problem.
8. Johnnie Mae Perry asked whether the park and ride and station will be near the H-Power plant. Lee reported that the station will be located right across the H-Power plant near the Advertiser building.
9. Chair Teruya asked if there is anything else on the Transit Committee agenda and Awana asked that all other items be deferred until next transportation committee meeting.
10. Recommendation to Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board #24 to approve Transportation Recommendations Package to assist vehicular traffic movement along the Waianae Coast into Downtown Honolulu – Karen Awana will defer until next transportation meeting.

Health, Human Services & Public Safety- Ms. Awana reported that the Weed and Seek Task steering committee participated within a Waianae Safe Summer for Youth event on July 22 and will also participate within the Waianae Sunset on the Beach event on August 12 and 13.

Planning & Zoning/Vision- Chair Teruya reported the P& Z Committee discussed the Recovering Alcoholics and Drug Shelter at 87-225 Maaloa Street, Nanakuli. Teruya thanked the many Board members as well as the several community members who come to the committee meeting.

Slocum moved and Jordan seconded that the Waianae Neighborhood Board No. 24 Planning & Zoning Committee recommends that the City & County, State of Hawaii authorities be advised of the situation that appears to be in non-compliance of zoning and the recently enacted Half-Way House Bill HRS.46.4. Further, that the operation be seized until all legal requirements are met.

Chair Teruya explained that the Committee's recommendation was made because of residents' concerns that several zoning regulations are in question and they request that the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) halt all action in the residence until these concerns have been answered or resolved. She also reported that she had asked the residents of 87-225 Maaloa Street, particularly speaking to a Mr. Bobby Christensen to attend the committee meeting concerning the residents to which no one did.

Discussion:

1. Hoohuli questioned whether this was a final vote. Chair Teruya explained that this was on the committee agenda as well as on the regular agenda for the last several months. Hoohuli also asked if the residents from the house in question would be able to speak. Chair Teruya noted that there was a large group from the 87-225 Maaloa Street residence and had hoped they would have spoken up at the committee meeting. She asked that a spokesperson make a statement to the Board.
2. Mr. Bobby Christensen is the leasee of the residence in question. He thanked the Board for the time granted him and explained the purpose of the house. The house is a transition house for single parent fathers who were once homeless and now share rent and other housing costs. There are children from the age of 9 to a 6 month old infant and the fathers are those who once lived on the beaches of the Waianae Coast. There is no a drug or alcohol policy in the house and residents must follow the strict

rules in which were provided to them. He hoped that the Board would take this into consideration and asked that they be given a chance.

3. Kelii questioned that the motion is not opposing the residents' actions but whether the residence is up to compliance with State and City zoning and Chair Teruya confirmed that this was the intent of the motion.
4. Jordan would like to change the wording of the motion. After HRS.46-4, add "and would like it to be investigated. Furthermore, we request that the operation cease until legal requirements are met". Slocum approved the changes.
5. Rezentes questioned if the Board was asking the right thing? She questioned that after hearing Mr. Christensen speak, she wondered if it the residence could be defined as a halfway house but rather a house rented by several individuals sharing rent.
6. Awo asked how many parents/children were presently residing in the home because of laws that restrict the number of residents in a household. Chair Teruya reiterated that the motion in question is asking officials to do the actual investigation because the Board is only an advisory entity.
7. Pomaikai questioned who made the assessment for this motion that the residence was in compliance. Slocum reported that it was the community who raised the issue that there are no permits that were taken and the community was up in arms on whether rules were being followed. Pomaikai stated that he can not vote in favor of this motion because he was not aware of the rules that were possibly being broken, did not know on whose authority that it can be made. Pomaikai would like to remove "appears to be non-compliant and to advise the situation of the zoning" from the motion but Slocum did not accept the request. Chair Teruya asked that Board members attend the committee meetings as they work tirelessly on these recommendations.
8. Awana recommended that the address including the TMK would be provided within the motion in order to be specific and is accepted by Slocum and Jordan.

The motion failed to carry with the necessary 8 votes. 5-4-4.Yea: Teruya, Awana, Slocum, Jordan, Leonida. Nay: Kelii, Kaipo, Adrian, Hoohuli. Abstain: Awo, Rezentes, Waiamau-Nunuha, Silva.

9. Chair Teruya asked that those concern residents to go ahead and write directly to State and City officials to look into the matter.
10. Hoohuli asked Chair Teruya if the residents at 87-225 Maaloa Street would best help the community and their concerns in acquiring the appropriate permits and Chair believed that this would help the situation.

Parks and Recreation/Parks Beautification- Ms. Jordan reported the following:

1. The next Parks and Rec committee meeting will be on Thursday August 10th.
2. The Kaupuni project update price was \$300,000. The City will dip into the current year's funds and release the funds in order to fund the project.
3. Puuhulu project has been revamped and will begin again shortly.

Education- Kelii gave the following report:

1. Simple Directory of all educational institutions on the Waianae Coast will be available very soon. A more in depth directory will be available at a later date.
2. The Imua project will begin later on this month. This project will include school representatives from all of the institutions on the Waianae Coast and they will strategize
3. Position on Kamehameha Schools Admission Policy – Mr. Kekoa Paulsen – Kelii will defer this item until September meeting.

4. University of Phoenix update - Ms. Lei Furukawa, Education Liaison reported that from the last invitation to the campus in Kapolei, there were several who enrolled for classes. Several programs available online with associate degree programs in 20 months; Bachelors degree available online as well. The goal is to have students attend the Kapolei campus at the present time but the future goal is to create a Waianae Campus.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Frank Slocum questioned what kind of campus is located in Kapolei? Furukawa stated that their campus is an unconventional campus located in office buildings, there is a learning center and several classrooms. She stated that much of the students who attend University of Phoenix are working professionals who have no need for a traditional campus.
2. Furukawa also commented on the school's regional accreditation. Because they have this certain level of accreditation, the credits earned are transferable to other institutions. The University of Phoenix is also approved by the Department of Education (DOE) and the National League for Nursing (NLN).

Housing- Manaku reported the Housing Committee will have a joint meeting with the Health Committee on Wednesday August 9, 2006 at the Waianae District Park starting at 6 p.m. They will be discussing the Laulima Project that will be assisting the homeless will begin shortly on the Waianae Coast.

Announcements – Chair Teruya provided the following announcements and correspondence received in the Board mail box. She informed everyone that all correspondence will be distributed to the Board.

1. Letter from the Executive Secretary regarding Board members running for public office. Running for office will not exclude a person from serving as a Board member but when a Board member wins an elected office they must resign from Board service.
2. A Notice of Public Hearing in front of the City Liquor Commission for Tacos & More LLC, located at 85-993 Farrington Highway, for the purpose of gaining a liquor license on September 14. Please attend if you would like to testify.
3. A letter from the Director of Planning and Permitting Mr. Henry Eng informed the Board that they are in the process of revising the Waianae Sustainable Communities Plan which will start in mid-late September 2006.
4. Kim and Shiroma Engineers, Inc. are requesting to remove the "no parking" signs on Leihoku Street due to the new development in the area. The Board will schedule this group at the next September Board meeting.
5. Voter registration is available for those eligible to vote. Chair Teruya has provided voter registration pamphlets as well as absentee voter registration.
6. Waiamau-Nunuha announced the Sunset on the Beach at Maili Beach on August 12-13 Saturday is movie *Beyond the Break* (filmed on the Waianae Coast) and *Shaggy Dog* and Sunday there will be the movie *Eight Below*.
7. Kelii announced the meeting at Nanakuli Beach Park tomorrow Wednesday August 2, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. regarding the deteriorating conditions at Nanakuli Park and what can be done in repairing these conditions.
8. Jordan announced the ground breaking of the transit center at the Waianae Mall at 10:00 a.m. She also announced the conference on sustainable communities that will take place this month at the Hawaii Convention Center and encouraged all to attend.

9. Pomaikai applauded the efforts of the committees and the work that they do and asked that all the Board members try to attend the meetings.
10. Colleen reported information regarding a program with the Hawaii Food Bank that will help the local farmers who were affected by the prolonged 40 days of rain. A City block grant was received in order to help with senior who were 60 years of age or older with income 20,800 single or 28,083 for a couple. Those who fall under this category may head down to HCAP on 9th August at 8:00 am and they will receive \$144 which will be issued out in \$3 increments and can be used at any of the open food markets. Please Xerox information and attach them to the HCAP forms that are available on the back table.
11. Faith Arakawa from the Waianae Library, reported the Library will be closed for two weeks August 21-September 4, for ADA renovation of their front access and handicapped parking. Books borrowed from the Library will be due after the renovation because access to the book drop will be closed. Any library book can be taken back to any other library and the Waianae Library apologizes for this inconvenience.
12. The Waianae Hawaiian Civic Club will have a booth at the Sunset on the Beach to register people to vote on August 12 and 13.
13. Pat Patterson also announced that Habitat for Humanity will have a booth at the Sunset on the Beach.

Community Concerns

1. Jordan had two concerns a) the agenda is still not formatted as it was voted on by the Board. b) The Waimanalo Landfill meeting notice that was mailed out with the agenda and what may set a precedent for what notices are sent and which ones that is not. Chair Teruya explained that she was accused last month of not notifying the community and Board and hoped that this would rectify the situation but will take Jordan's concern into consideration.
2. Kaipo commended Pat Patterson and reported that the homeless young man they had referred to the Maritime Academy enrolled, on the third day after he enrolled, he was given clothes, boots, and other equipment for training and four days after the fourth day enrolled, he was given a place to stay. He has since graduated from the program and is now looking for work in the industry.
3. Manaku commented on the Hepatitis B problem on the Waianae Coast. Youth are having unprotected sex and it is becoming a health and safety issue. He also commented on the need for an alternate route to Ko Olina and Kapolei.
4. Johnnie Mae Perry prepared a presentation regarding proposals presented to the Board that have not had any action taken. She believes that this is in violation of the Board and also presented information on the status of how long Board members have served. Ms. Perry also commented on the prerequisites that are needed for a presentation to the Board and was prompted due to the telecommunication projects that have come before the Board. Chair Teruya had to ask Ms. Perry to finish her presentation due to the time constraints. Chair also asked Perry whether she is requesting this item on September agenda. Perry did not respond.

Point of order was called and Chair Teruya asked that this would be directed towards the Executive Secretary for the Neighborhood Commission Office.

5. Alice U. Greenwood, who resides at Nanakuli Beach Park campsite 1, is a Houseless Maili resident who read a letter regarding the different offenses against the homeless and their constitutional and civil rights.

Meeting was taken out of order to allow for presentation of 7.1 on the agenda: due to Miss Rayford's health.

Zoning Variance to develop a Multipurpose Community Facility – Honolulu Community Action Program, Inc. (HCAP) 85-555 Farrington Highway Waianae, HI 96702 Tax Map Key 8-0-2:12- Lou Chan & Associates.

Terrance Aratani is the program Chair

Joan White, the Executive Director for HCAP detailed the programs that were provided by the program. She also introduced to the Board the staff which provides service to the Waianae Community especially Daynette Rayford who has worked tirelessly in creating the

Lou Chen and Ryan Yamamoto gave the presentation of the proposed facility with a single floor extension running along Farrington Highway which will include a general meeting room, restrooms with lockers and several class rooms. The parking will be paved and include more parking stalls and the surround area around will be landscaped. The facility was designed in order to create a workable space for the program but at the same time blend into the Waianae Coast area.

Gerald Park commented on the allowances needed in order to gain approval of the permits needed from DPP. Due to the zoning in the area, variances are needed and part of the permit variance would be the support of the community.

Motion to support zoning variance to develop a Multipurpose Community Facility was made by Kelii and seconded by Albert H. Silva.

Discussion:

1. Manaku – Declared his conflict as he is active within the HCAP programs.

The Board voted unanimously to support the zoning variance to develop a Multipurpose Community Facility for HCAP.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Board of Education- A representative was not present.

Mayor's Representative- Mr. Ken Shimizu gave the following report:

1. Responses to last month's meeting:
 - a. Regarding the request by Clarentia Batongbacal to clean a property that is overgrown and a possible fire hazard, the property near Ulehawa Channel is owned by the City and is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Facility Maintenance. Annual cleanup is scheduled for August/September.
 - b. Regarding the request by Board member Manaku, The Department of Parks and Recreation will check the comfort stations that have the standing water and grade those areas to eliminate or diver the water problem. They will also look into the feasibility of establishing more camping sites along the Waianae Coast.
 - c. Regarding the request by Board member Waiamau-Nunuha, The division of Urban Forestry (DPR) is responsible for the trimming of all trees and shrubs island wide. Due to the island wide infestation of the Gall Wasp affecting the Wili Wili trees, a large number may have been misdiagnosed as having a lack of water. The maintenance supervisor responsible for the Waianae Coast beach parks reported difficulty in maintaining adequate irrigation of the area due to repeated illegal manipulation of the systems. Repairs to the irrigation system are continually ongoing throughout the Waianae Coast and are dealt with as effectively as possible.
 - d. Concerning the question by Board member Kelii, it was reported that the individuals appointed by the Mayor to serve as a member of the Community Benefits and the Oversight Committee were notified by the City of their appointment. In addition, the Mayor's Office put out a press release on the membership of these committees but a formal letter will be sent to everyone who expressed interest.

- e. The volunteer who used to maintain the plants for the Lahilahi Botanical Park passed away several years ago and no one has maintained it since.
- f. The request on status of the Nanakuli Canoe Halau was reported by the Department of Design and Construction (DDC) that they are negotiating cost with the contractor and construction should start by the end of the year.
- g. Regarding whether the Community Benefits package meetings would be held in Waianae, at present the meetings are held at Kapolei Hale, since it is a City building which is available for the committees use. However, the members of the committees can decide when and where to hold their future meetings.
- h. Board member Awo requested a response to speeding commercial trucks on the Waianae Coast who have illegible plates. Shimizu reported that under HRS Section 249-7, it prohibits obstruction of license plated or unclean license plates. The location, time and type of truck should be reported to the police so that the area can be monitored and enforcement action can be taken.

Questions, Comments and Concerns:

- 1. Perry relayed information to Shimizu and asked that he report back at next meeting concerning the presented information to the Board during the community concerns section of the meeting.
- 2. Kelii reported the dilapidation of the Nanakuli Beach Park Pavilion and asked that it be prioritized in the CIP funds this year.

Councilmember Todd Apo- Todd Apo gave the following reported that the \$200 refund of Property taxes will be coming soon to property owners. They are also looking at for the next fiscal year a possible lowering of the residential rate.

Questions, Comments and Concerns:

- 1. Resident Sato questioned if there was a master list of potential housing for the area or for the entire island. Apo did not believe there was a list but would follow up.
- 2. Perry relayed information to Apo and asked that he report back to him concerning the presented information to the Board during the community concerns section of the meeting.

Office of United States Representative Ed Case- Randy Obata reported that the farm bill will be expiring soon and Rep. Case will be looking at renewing the different areas in which are still in need of help. He hoped that the Waianae Coast would benefit from the revised bill, especially with the large amount of specialty crops grown by the Waianae agriculture community.

Questions, comments and concerns:

- 1. Manaku – asked that farm animals be added to the revised farm bill because of the need that many Waianae residents face. It would create a more self reliant Waianae community knowing that they could provide for themselves.
- 2. Alice Greenwood asked how Rep. Case felt about the Waimanalo Landfill that was on Agricultural land. Obata replied that he would check with

Senator Colleen Hanabusa- A representative was not present. A report was distributed.

Representative Michael P. Kahikina- A representative was not present. A report was distributed.

Representative Maile Shimabukuro- Rep. Shimabukuro gave the following report:

1. On Saturday August 5, 2006 there will be a community clean up of the Waianae Coast primarily around Pokai Bay. Please attend if you would like to help beautify the Waianae Coast.
2. The Waianae High School complex pool has had funds released by the State for repairs. A total of \$450,000 has been released and the School hopes to meet with State, City and YMCA officials in order to find an agreement in operating and maintaining the pool.
3. Rep. Shimabukuro is the appointed Chair of a newly created Rule Caucus with several different issues like affordable housing, economic development and land zoning guidelines.

Questions, Comments and Concerns:

1. Manaku – farmers should be encouraged to grow more goods from within the community rather than goods being shipped into the community. Also commented on the term “affordable” and believed that this was not what is actually affordable. Example: \$235/month rent being affordable versus buying a home for the “affordable price” of \$235,000.
2. Slocum commented on the concurrent resolution that was passed on to Washington D.C. and applauds the work done by Hanabusa and Shimabukuro. Rep. Shimabukuro stated that much of the thanks should be given to Senator Hanabusa who worked tirelessly on this resolution and will share the sentiments.
3. Sato asked how many Charter Schools there were and Shimabukuro stated there were 25 schools and that they were hoping to life the cap because several have closed down or lost accreditation.

Governor’s Representative- Ms. Marie Laderta gave the following report:

1. Laderta thanked the Board for the time provided and introduced the Governor’s homeless representative Mr. Kaulana Park. Mr. Park stated his background in the islands and explained his job as an executive assistant to Micah Kane, Director of The Department of Hawaiian Homelands. He further went on to report the passion and determination in which he felt were the reasons why Governor Linda Lingle appointed him as the homeless representative who would find lasting solutions to this epidemic. In the last 27 days since the Gov. Lingle appointed him they have set up a working office, met with government and community leaders in order to address the problems and have come up with several plans of action including several emergency shelters which will open in the next several months. They understand that the emergency shelters are not permanent situations and so they also targeted permanent housing through affordable housing and rentals. Park asked the community for help with social programs and agencies that will provide lasting help and maintained that the focus of their goals is families with children. Kaulana stated that 200 bed spaces will be targeted by October 1st in Kalaeloa and another 300 at the old UH building.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Kaipo commented on the good job that Park has gotten off to in combating the homeless problem.
2. Awana commended the efforts by the Governor and Park with the homeless situation.
3. Kelii welcomed Park to the meetings, whether it is Board, committee or community meetings that would allow him better insight into the homeless situation and the people that are faced with in on a daily basis.
4. Perry stated that the homeless situation is a major priority on the Waianae Coast and that the Governor as well as other governmental agencies is aware.
5. Alice Greenwood asked state status on loading rentals elders on fixed income.

Without objections, Chair Patty Teruya adjourned meeting at 10:24 p.m.

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